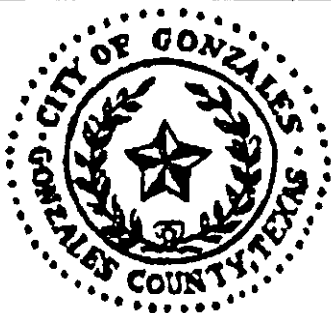


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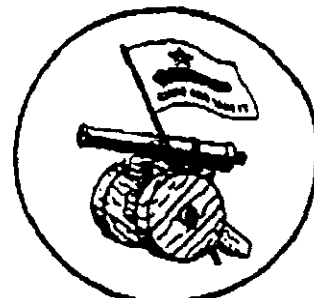
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Dear Attorney General Morales:

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The City of Gonzales, Texas received a request for information on April 30, 1993. A copy of the request is attached. The request seeks all information pertaining to the creation of the Gonzales county Underground Water Conservation District and the possible harmful effects of this creation upon the City of Gonzales, as gathered by J. D. Head of Ford & Ferraro. Mr. Head is the attorney representing the City of Gonzales in a contested proceeding before the Texas Water Commission with regard to the creation of this underground water conservation district.

The City of Gonzales wishes to withhold certain correspondence it has received from Mr. Head. Copies of these letters are enclosed for your in camera review.

The City of Gonzales maintains that § 3(a)(1) of the Texas Open Records Act, Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Ann. art. 6252-17a (Vernon Supp. 1993) protects the information from required public disclosure. Specifically, correspondence are protected by the attorney-client privilege. Previous opinions of the Attorney General support this conclusion. See Op. Att'y Gen. 1984-NO. ORD-412; Op. Att'y Gen. 1985 NO. ORD-429. If you need additional information, please contact me at the address and telephone number listed in our letterhead.

Very truly yours,


E. T. Gibson
City Manager
City of Gonzales

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